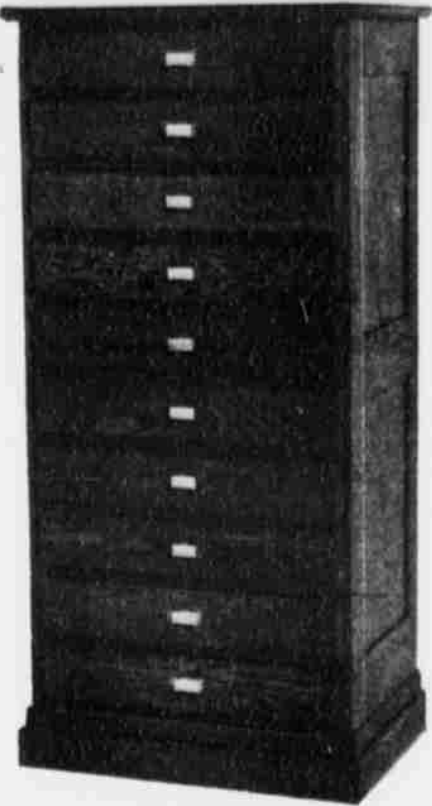


THE GEYLER FURNITURE Manufacturing Company.

This business was established about thirty years ago as a lumber and contracting firm by J. W. Peuen. In 1893 P. J. Geyler became a partner and the firm style was changed to Ponce & Geyler, and so continued until 1902. During this time many of the prominent buildings in the city were erected by them, among others the Washington school building, the Carroll building and Mr. Albert Mathews' residence.



FILING CABINET

idence. In 1902, owing to a dullness in the contracting business, the firm began changing to the manufacture of furniture. In 1904, P. J. Geyler took entire charge. By 1908 the business had so increased and their manufactured lines of furniture were being so well accepted by the retail merchants that the firm was incorporated and called the Geyler Furniture Manufacturing company. They manufacture a line of household furniture, including bookcases, ladies' desks, filing cases, library cases, combination bookcases, cupboards, etc., and intend adding several new novelties to their list this year. In connection with the furniture factory there is operated a saw mill which is used in manufacturing lumber for use in the furniture department. They also do custom sawing. Timber is bought standing and converted into lumber at their own mill.

The business is exclusively wholesale and so great has been the success of the furniture factory that their output is readily sold and is very favorably known to a large number of customers. Twenty-five or more hands are employed in the factory and mill.

A catalogue containing cuts of the styles manufactured with information regarding them will be mailed to any retail dealer upon application.

The officers of the Geyler Furniture Manufacturing company, are: C. F. Whisler, president; Van B. Miller, vice president; John Hultt, treasurer; P. J. Geyler, secretary and general manager.

P. WEYRICH.

Reliable Photographer.

Photographer P. Weyrich has been in business in Hillsboro, Ohio, for over twenty years, and during all that time has occupied the same studio. He conducts an up-to-date gallery and does all manner of photographic work, both inside and outside, enlarges pictures, does framing to order and carries a large assortment of mouldings, framed pictures and art pictures. Mrs. Weyrich is also a practical photographer and assists her husband in the business.

P. Weyrich has the distinction of being the oldest photographer in business in Hillsboro. His studio is at 127-129 West Main street, opposite Short street.

SPARGUR & CO.,

General Dry Goods.

This old and reliable dry goods house is in reality the continuation of the store started here by H. W. Spargur, father of the present owner. In 1836, H. W. Spargur later moved to Rainsboro where the son was born.

J. D. W. Spargur came to Hillsboro, Ohio, in 1865, and for six years was associated in business with Samuel E. Hibben, after which he and his brother conducted a dry goods store, under the firm name of Spargur Bros., for about fifteen years, during part of which time they occupied the corner room in the Masonic Temple building. By 1887 the business had so increased that it became necessary to seek large



er quarters and the building now occupied was erected. This space occupied is 48x100 feet in area and two floors are used. It is really two stores, one being devoted to dry goods, dress goods, silks, corsets, notions, fancy goods, etc., while in the connecting room is carried shoes for men, women and children, furs, underwear, cloaks and ladies' ready-to-wear garments. On the second floor is found the carpets, matting, oil cloths, linoleums, curtains, etc.

J. C. Spargur is associated with his father in the business and has charge of the room containing the shoes, women's garments, etc.

J. D. W. Spargur held the office of County Treasurer for eight years and was a member of the School Board for sixteen years and President of that body for seven years.

The dry goods store of Spargur & Co., is at 123-125 East Main St., near High St.

THE MCKEEHAN, HEISTAND

Grocery Company.

This wholesale grocery business was established as a partnership concern in 1880, under the firm name of McKeehan & Heistand. In 1891 the business was incorporated with a capital of \$100,000.00, and the present name taken.

The building they occupy is of brick and modern in every particular. In the front is the office and sample rooms, 25x50 feet in area, and of two stories. The main building, in which are the ware rooms, shipping room and packing room, is 80x200 feet, two stories, basement and attic. In addition there are two other ware houses, one on lower West Main street, the other on the B. & O. railroad. The location of this last mentioned warehouse is very convenient, as being directly on the track enables them to load and unload directly to and from the cars without any unnecessary handling of goods.

The business of the company is exclusively wholesale and while they carry a very complete assortment of everything in the grocery line, nothing but the BEST is handled, as under no circumstances will they deal in low priced, unsatisfactory goods. A specialty is made of New York state lines of canned goods and the finest packed California canned fruits, and nothing in canned goods except the choicest lines of standard makes is ever sold.

In addition to groceries they carry a large line of cigars, tobaccos, confectionery, drugs and sundries, overalls and a general line of goods carried by country merchants. They have four traveling representatives and goods are shipped to all surrounding sections reached by the railroads, traction line and wagon roads.

Since the company was incorporated the business has greatly increased and it now enjoys a large patronage.

The McKeehan, Heistand Grocery Co. is among the sound and progressive business enterprises of Hillsboro, and but few cities of our size can boast of a similar concern with the financial standing and business output of this company.

The officers are L. B. Boyd, president; S. T. Logan, vice president; C. M. Lacy, secretary-treasurer, and these officers with J. C. Larkin, M. D. and D. D. Downing are the board of directors.

SPARGUR & MCCLURE.

Real Estate and Insurance.

J. A. W. Spargur and H. S. McClure are the individual members of this well known Real Estate and Insurance firm. Both partners have lived in this part of Ohio for a number of years and are well and favorably known.

The present business was established about two years ago and has made itself a factor in business circles from the first.

They buy, sell and exchange real estate in both city and country, rent property and collect rents, take entire charge of estates and negotiate loans of any description. They have listed at all times a good assortment of properties.

In the insurance department they write Life, Fire and Cyclone, and among the many companies they represent are the Phoenix Fire Insurance Co., of Hartford, Conn.; Queen Insurance Co., of America; American Central Insurance Co., of St. Louis, Mo.; Niagara Insurance Co., of New York; and Shawnee Insurance Co., of Topeka, Kansas.

The Real Estate and Insurance office of Spargur & McClure is on the second floor of the Merchants' National Bank building, cor. North High and Main Sts.

C. A. MALCOM,

Modern Photography.

C. A. Malcom has been in the photographic business in Hillsboro for the past eight years and understands the work in all its details. He has a modern and well equipped studio, and makes only the most artistic photographs, his posings and general finish being of the best.

He is prepared to do all manner of work, both inside and outside, enlarges and frames pictures and carries a nice assortment of mouldings and frames. One of the special features of his business is enlarging portraits by hand. That C. A. Malcom is a believer in Hillsboro is proven by the fact that he has just completed the construction of a new house in which to reside, on North High street.

The Malcom studio is on North High street, diagonally across from the Court House.

WADE TURNER.

Real Estate and Insurance.

Wade Turner has been a resident of Hillsboro, Ohio, for the past eleven years. He was a teacher in the city schools for five years, two years of which were in the high school. About five years ago he became interested in the insurance business, and one year ago added to it real estate. He buys, sells and exchanges real estate in both city and country, and has listed a fine assortment of properties of every description to select from. He also negotiates loans. He writes risks in both life and fire insurance, and among the many companies he represents are the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Co. of Newark, New Jersey, and the Phoenix (fire) Insurance of Brooklyn, N. Y., and the Citizens (fire) Insurance Co. of St. Louis, Mo.

The Real Estate and Insurance office of Wade Turner is on North High street, over the Merchants' National bank.



S. R. HOWARD, VETERINARY

S. R. HOWARD, V. S.

Veterinary Surgeon.

Dr. S. R. Howard was born in Pickaway county, where he received his early education in the public schools. He later entered the Ontario Veterinary College of Toronto, Canada, and graduated from that world-famed institution in the class of 1889. Shortly after receiving his diploma he came to Hillsboro, and has now been in practice here for twenty years. Doctor Howard treats all diseases of domestic animals and makes a specialty of dentistry in animals. He is Deputy State Veterinarian and a member of the State Medical Veterinary Association and a well known Mason and K. of P.

Doctor Howard's office is on North High street, across from courthouse, and he has both phones at his residence as well as his office.

CASH MERCHANDISE CO.,

Wholesale and Retail.

F. J. and J. M. Kelly are the individual members of this large wholesale and retail merchandise company. They carry a very complete assortment of staple and fancy groceries, canned goods, vegetables, stock and poultry foods, confectionery, cigarettes, tobaccos, smokers' articles, and one of the best lines of cigars in the city, shirts, overalls, etc., and are agents for Kroger's celebrated coffees, which are received fresh from the roasters every week. The Cash Merchandise Co. do a very large retail business, and since they began



CASH MERCHANDISE CO.

here, about two years ago, it has steadily increased, as a sure sign that their goods and manner of doing business are giving entire satisfaction to their many patrons. In the wholesale department they are prepared to give the very lowest prices, and conduct a large trade in surrounding towns.

The store the company occupy is 25x110 feet in area, and there is in addition a wareroom, used for storage purposes, 25x90 feet.

F. J. Kelly has been in this line of business for twenty-six years, twenty-four of which he was located in Belfast, Ohio, and he came to Hillsboro because of its being a larger town with better opportunities for his increasing business. When the business moved here J. M. Kelly, a nephew, was admitted to partnership. He is also an experienced man in the line, having been in the employ of his uncle in Belfast for many years.

The store of the Cash Merchandise Co. is at 107 West Main street, near High street, and opposite the Court House.

SAM R. FREE,

The Exclusive Clothier.

This clothing business was established in 1856 by M. Free, father of the present proprietor, and when he died, in 1891, the son, who had been in his employ, succeeded to the business. In 1895 the business was moved to its present location, one of the busiest corners of Hillsboro. The store is 24x100 feet in area and is well stocked with a large and fine assortment of clothing of every description for men, boys and children, as well as furnishings, hats, caps, gloves, umbrellas, trunks, valises, suit cases, etc., and in fact everything to be found in an up-to-date clothing establishment.

This business has been established and located for so many years in Hillsboro that it is known, not only in the city, but in all the surrounding country as well.

The store of Sam R. Free is on Free's corner, at Main and High streets.

ware, glass ware, lamps, music, periodicals, etc., and they as well conduct a merchant tailoring department.

On February 6th last, Smith & Reed opened a moving picture theater, known as the "Fair Theatrum," next door to "The Fair" store. The room used is 20x98 feet, contains all new furniture and other appointments and is readily conceded by all to be the neatest and best furnished place of amusement of its kind in the city.

It will be the aim of the proprietors to show only the best class of films, and no objectionable pictures will be presented under any circumstances. Therefore, it is a safe place of amusement for ladies and children, whether they are accompanied by escorts or guardians or are alone.

The Fair and the Fair Theatrum are located in the business section of the city on South High street, second door south of postoffice.

H. J. SCHWEINSBERGER,

The Cozy Corner.

H. J. Schweinsberger came to Hillsboro, Ohio, in 1875, and has been in business since 1878. He opened his present business in September, 1907, and carries a superior line of confectionery in boxes and bulk, as well as fruits, cigars, tobaccos and smokers' articles. He also conducts an up-to-date ice cream parlor, in which he serves the finest ice cream and fees by the plate and in packages to carry home. His cream is of the best quality and made only from pure cream, and is acknowledged by all to be as good as can be obtained in Hillsboro, as he has it shipped from the best known ice cream makers in Cincinnati. He also handles oysters in bulk.

One of the features of The Cozy Corner is an attractive soda fountain, from which is served delicious soda with pure fruit syrups and other non-alcoholic beverages.

The Cozy Corner of H. J. Schweinsberger is L-shaped and has two entrances, one on East Main street and the other on South High street, next door to the Hillsboro Bank.

J. STRAIN & SON.

Funeral Director and Liveryman.

This business was established about twelve years ago. John Strain, however, was previously in the wholesale grocery business in Hillsboro for thirty years.

The individual members of the firm are John Strain, and his sons, W. H. and J. H. Strain.

They conduct a modern undertaking establishment, have their own funeral car, casket wagon, covered coaches, etc., and are fully equipped and prepared to take entire charge of funerals from the time of death until the last rites are over. William H. Strain is a licensed embalmer, being a graduate of the Chicago College of Embalming, receiving his diploma in 1897. In 1900 he took a Post Graduate course at the same institution.

They also conduct a first class livery, feed and sales stables and have accommodations for one hundred horses. Their rigs are stylish and up-to-date, while their horses are of the kind you need not feel ashamed to drive. They also board horses.

The undertaking establishment and livery of John Strain & Sons is at 146 West Main street.

T. B. CUSTER.

Jeweler.

T. B. Custer has been in the jewelry business for over twenty years, and for the past eight years has been in business for himself. In July, 1908, he came here from Waynesville, Ohio, and opened his present store, where he carries a line of watches, rings, precious stones, silverware, clocks, cut glass, novelties, etc., and does jewelry repairing of all kinds, making a specialty of the repairing and adjustment of fine watches.

While T. B. Custer has been in business here but a comparatively short time, he has made many customers and built up an excellent trade.

The jewelry store of T. B. Custer is located at 113 South High street, in the Bell opera house block.

"THE BEE HIVE."

B. H. Wolff, Proprietor.

B. H. Wolff of the Bee Hive has been in business in Hillsboro for the past three years. He came here from Cincinnati, where he had been engaged in the wholesale jewelry business. He formerly traveled through this section of Ohio, so was well known here even before he located in business in this city.

The Bee Hive carries a large assortment of staple and fancy goods, ladies' and gents' furnishings, china, agate, tin and glassware, household furnishings, postcards, notions, stationery, toilet articles, toys, novelties, and a line of groceries. B. H. Wolff is also in the wholesale jewelry business. In connection with the Bee Hive, but still under a different system, he also conducts the Postcard shop, a store devoted entirely to postcards and other similar seasonable novelties, such as Easter cards, Christmas cards, etc., and a particularly large and attractive line of these cards and novelties are carried in stock as well as made to order. This branch of the business is both wholesale and retail.

The Bee Hive is located at 116 North High street, and the Postcard Shop is one door south. Both are directly opposite the Soldiers' monument.

THE GLOBE CHAIR CO.

Manufacturers of Chairs.

The original plant was built in 1891, and ran for about five years, when for various reasons it was closed and business suspended. In 1901 it was reorganized and incorporated as The Globe Chair Company, and has been successfully conducted since, the business showing a marked increase each year. In 1908 a new and extensive warehouse was constructed, made necessary by the demand for more storage room, etc.



The plant, comprising the main building and warehouse, is about 250x500 feet in area, with modern equipment and all necessary machinery. A switch from the B. & O. railroad runs direct to the warehouse, so that cars can be loaded and unloaded without unnecessary handling.

The business is the manufacture of dining room and bed room chairs and rockers, in medium and high-grade goods, and the assortment of styles is large and well suited for all kinds of trade where a good substantial article that can be relied upon is wanted. The chairs are shipped largely to the Pacific coast, Mexico and Cuba, and a local domestic trade is also maintained. The business is wholesale only and the goods are sold through traveling men and agents. The company employ over fifty hands at the factory and warehouse. An enterprise of the nature of The Globe Chair Co. is of great benefit to our city, as their payroll is large and nearly every cent of wages received by the employees is spent at home.

The officers of The Globe Chair Co. are: John A. McCoppin, president, and J. A. Head, secretary and treasurer. The board of directors are: John A. McCoppin, Frank Ayres, L. B. Boyd, J. Frank Durnell, J. W. Watts, Dr. W. W. Glenn, J. A. Head.

THE HILLSBORO

Telephone Company.

The Hillsboro Telephone company was incorporated in 1901, and from a very small beginning has increased its business until it has now nearly seven hundred telephones in use in residences and business houses. All the stockholders of the company are Hillsboro people, and that the company is giving its patrons excellent service is generally acknowledged.

The company has connections reaching every city and town in Ohio, except Cincinnati, a convenience appreciated by our residents.

The officers of The Hillsboro Telephone company are Irvin McD. Smith, President; G. L. Garrett, Vice President; H. P. Morrow, Secretary; J. W. Evans, Treasurer, and the directors are the officers, with M. F. Carroll, W. N. Bean and C. E. Brown.

H. A. RUSS, M. D.

Physician and Surgeon.

Doctor H. A. Russ was born in Hillsboro and received his early education in the common school and high school of this city, graduating from the latter institution. He later entered the Ohio Medical College—now the medical department of the University of Cincinnati—graduating in the class of 1890. After graduation he returned to Hillsboro and has practiced his profession here since, doing a general practice in medicine and surgery. The office and residence of Dr. Russ are at 209 West Walnut street.



B. H. WOLFF